YARNS FROM WINTRY WILDS. BROUGHT IN BY OBSERVANT HUNTERS

OF BIG GAME. Beware of the Wounded Buck-Demuth's Story of His Attempt to Befriend a Broken-Legged Deer and of the Trouble That Easued-A Very Narrow Escape.

HARRISBURG, Feb. 9 .- "I have had a good many novel and exciting adventures in the woods," said William Demuth of Job's Bridge, Bullivan county, "but the one I had with a broken-legged buck, a couple of years ago, almost within sight of my house, was the liveliest of all, and gave me the closest call. "It happened about the middle of March The snow was deep up through the lumber couple of weeks of warm weather and frequent rains, and in the open country the sleighing was hearly all gone. There were many deer drifts left along the roads, and a cold snap of a day or two had frozen quite a crust on them. I was on my way home, in a low-bodied sleigh, and when within a mile of the Bridge, I saw standing at the side of the road, and not more than than ten feet from it, in an open space in the woods, one of the biggest bucks I had ever

seen. He did not move away as I approached, much to my surprise. My horse shied to one side when he saw the buck, and ran several rods past the deer before I could stop him, "I turned round in my sleigh and looked back. The buck still stood in the same place. I noticed, then, that he was very poor, and looked sick. I had beard that a lumber operor over on the creek had several tame deer in a small park, and I made up my mind that this must be one of his that had got out of the enclosure. He was a five-prong buck, and if in flesh would have been as magnificent a specimen of his kind as ever led a chase. Feeling that it would be a pity to leave him to perish

men of his kind as ever led a chase. Feeling that it would be a pity to leave him to perish there. I tied my horse to a tree at the roadgide, and walked back to see if I couldn't drive the buck along with me so it could herd and pick up with my cattle, among which, in severe winters. I have often found wild deez feeding.

"As I neared the creek with this merciful purpose he began to show some sign that he recognized my presence, and when I was within ten feet of him his recognition became so positive that I at once knew that, whether he was a tame deer or a wild one, he did not intend to accept my services in the spirit in which I had intended to offer them, and that the chances were that unless I returned to my sleigh without delay my interference would be resented by the buck in a manner not at all to my advantage. The hair on the deer's back had bristled up as I approached him, his cars were laid back flat along his head, and his eyes glared fercely. From a gaunt half-famished looking animal indifferent to his surroundings or his fate, he suddenly became flerce and deflant, presenting a front that plainly showed pride of frace and determination of purpose in adversity. I took a step backward as the preliminary factics in my retreat, and the buck immediately sprang forward to the attack.

"On the opposite side of the road a largo hemlock tree had been blown down, leaving a stump six or seven feet high. I cleared the road at a jump, almost, and dodged behind the stump. Peering around it. I saw the buck coming, and then discovered for the first time that his right hind leg was broken, and that it dragged helplessly behind him. Then the buck's dogged flerceness was explained. There is no fiercer or more dreaded object to be met in the woods than a wounded buck, as all hunters know. No matter whether you have infloted the wound or whether some one else has, the buck will attack the first that appears. Consequently I knew that I was in for a lively time before I got away fresher that propers.

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time before I got away from that brokenlegged buck with my life.

A deer can handle itself with three sound
legs almost as well as it can with four, provided the disabled one is not the right fore leg.
A deer can get over the course with a broken
left fore leg hearly as rapidly as it could before,
and a broken hind leg retards its progress
scarcely any. But if its right fore leg be
broken, that moment the deer is a good as in
the hunter's bands. In running and taking its
great leaps the deer always strikes the ground
with its right fore foot first, and then, if the
left fore leg is injured, it can be so invoced by
the right cone that the speed of the deer may
be maintained for many miles; but the left fore
leg cannot favor a disabled right leg, and when
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"Well, this wounded buck that I had put on its metite by an act of mistaken kindness gavo me a most lively chase round and round that stump for five minutes. I had no weapon, not even a pocket knife, but there was an axe in my sleigh. How to reach that, however, was the puzzle. The sleigh was lifty yards away, but between it and where I was doigning that wounded buck around the stump were a number of trees, standing at irregular distances from sach other, and no two of them closer together than the feet. They were all small trees, too, the big timber having been cut out along there. It was plain to me that I couldn't spend much more time circling around that stump, for broken legged and emaciated as he was the buck gave evidence of more bottom and endurance than I could. I was fast getting winded, My enighthance was to make a break from the stump to the nearest tree, and so on from tree to tree until I could reach the sleigh and get my axe. With that in my hands I had no doubt of a speedy end of the battle in my favor.

"I made the break, but when I jumped behind the first tree, which was not more than ifteen feet away, the buck's antilers grazed my back. I had expected tight work, but that it would be as close for the eyes as that was more than I had calculated on. But I succeeded in dashing from one tree to another, with the buck at my heels all the time, until I had only to get to the one where my horse was tied, and that was only the width of the road away, my sleigh being on the side of the road I had first seen the buck on.

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"I had felt that my uncomfortable and perilipus experience would soon be at end, but I had not taken the feelings and disposition of my horse into account. I made the dash across the road and reached the tree safe, but as the deer sprang into the road the horse gave a snort and a jump, the balter strap snapped like a whipcord, and away went horse, sleigh, axe, and all toward Job's Bridge as fast as a good horse running away could go.

"I had no time to think of that, though, for I was in full sight of the deer, and he was coming like a locomotive. I turned to jump behind the tree, but I never got there. The buck struck me just below my hind suspender buttons, and lifted me so I cleared a snow drift, that extended along that side of the road, and anded me at least ten feet on the other side of it. That blow knocked the breath out of me, and the fall hurt me considerally, but it saved my life. The buck, in his eagerness to get at me, mounted the drift. The crust broke beneath his sharp hoofs and all three of his sound legs become as useless to lifm as his broken one. He sank into the snowbank to his belly, and although he showed his fury by thrashing his great antlers on the snow, and by loud, flerce snorts, he was more holless than a new-born fawn. I did not wait any longer than I gould help to witness his futile fury, but limped home as fast as I could. I met my son on the war, the horse reaching home without me having naturally alarmed my family. My son went back with me and got his gun, and returning to where I had so luckly escaped from the buck, put the poor beast out of his misery, from the appearance of the broken leg the tracture must have been at least two weeks old, but how the leg had been broken, nobody sould tell."

A SIXTY-MILE FOX CHASE,

The Splendid Run Doughty "Old John"

EAST BRANDYWINE, Pa., Feb. 16 .- A fox. well known from other foxes because of his unusual size, has for many seasons outwitted the hounds and hunters of this part of Chester county, where fox hunters and hounds are not only numerous but famous. The cunning big

Upper Uwchlan, met with their pack of forty well-trained hounds to give Old John another run. They raised him on Forge Hill at 6 o'clock in the morning. He led them up this and down date toward Waynesburg, over a rough country, trailing them to the very edge of that village, which is ten miles from Forge Hill, as the crow files, making the circuit of Waynesburg's outskirts. Old John bere away to the southward, over the hills and along the banks of the historic Brandywine, leading the chase straight to the village of Thorndale. Dashing neroes the Pennsylvania Railroad track, almost at the station, game old Reynard cureled around Thorndale, and took his back track. The distance direct from Waynesburg to Thorndale is twerve miles. Base aver the hills Old John led the way again, and once hore trailed about Waynesburg, and, new hard pressed by the hounds, again turned earthward. At 7 o'clock in the evening, live miles below Waynesburg, at Rockville, the trail was sost. The seent was not found again, but the hounds, in manacuvring for it, discovered Old John in a deep ditch, into which, nearly exhausted, he had jurned and drained from the back, yelling in bead directs at the trail was head to be a hidden place. The disch was a deep that the does could not get that the it, and when the two hunters came up the park were clustered on the banks, yelling in bead directs at they had run thus ignominously to earth.

Old John was captured alive, and the hunters was had run the willy fox down got lusty cheers.

as they returned home. The chase had lasted thirteen hours, and covered more than sixty thirteen hours, and covered more than sixty miles. Old John is the biggest fox ever seen in the Chester County hills. He will have a chance to show his old-time cunning and prowess on Washington's Birthday, when he is to be dropped for a grand chase, in which 20 hunters, and over 100 hounds will join.

WILDCATS IN A FIGHT.

A Duel Between Two Toms in the Presence of an Applauding Female,

SCRANTON, Feb. 16. - Levi Smalling, a Spring Count hunter, recently witnessed a remarkable fight between two male wildcats in the woods of that section. "I was still hunting for squirrels and rabbits," said Mr. Smallin. when I heard a terrifle vowling and sparting down in the ravine from where I was tramping through the woods. I knew at once that the noise was made by wildcats, for I had heard them seream at night many a time, and my first thought was that a wildcat had been eaught in a trap and was yelling from pain. I listened for a minute, and then I heard two distinet voices. I hurried to the brink of a ledge to look down into the ravine, and on my way it seemed as though I could hear three wildcats screaming, and I was not mistaken in this, as I soon found out.
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"When I got where I could look down I saw what all the fuss was about. In an open space two he wildcats were making the fair fly from one another's bodies, yelling, scratching, and biting, and every now and then tumbling over each other and tearing up the leaves. On a limb close by to them sat a she wildcat, with her back humped up, and she was spitting and sissing, and urging the he ones on. I made our my mind right away that the two tones were fighting over her, and I enjoyed the row more than anything I had ever seen in the woods. When the tems got tired of clawing one another they crouched on the ground a few feet apart and lashed their talls and howled, while the she one on the limb kept up a continual noise and jashed her tail, toe.

"After each resting spell the toms rushed at one another again, and while they were ripping and tearing and making the blood fly, I clambered down the ledge, stopping every time they stopped down the ledge, stopping every time they stopped down the ledge, stopping every time they stopped for fear they might hear me and either run nway or make for me. It seemed to be nip and tack between them, for they were both big and strong, and each appeared bent on killing the other before he would give up. I wanted to kill them both and get their hides and the bounty money, and so I waited for a good shot at them. I had a charge of buckshot in my right barrel and a bullet in the left, and my intention was to send the buckshot at them when mixed up in the next bout.

"Then they llew at one another again, but before I could reach the spet that I wanted to get to before I blazed away the toms separated once more. By this time they were pretty well fought out, and for a few minates all they did was to glare at one another, swing their tails back and forth, and how. The she cat then sprang from her limb to another branch, giving a scream as she leaned, and in less than ten seconds the he ones dashed at each other sand to the air and fell down dead, and the lattice another shot at him, and I s what all the fuss was about. In an open space two he wildcats were making the thair fly from

A BEAR'S LOVE OF MOLASSES.

Made a Spectacle of Himself,

How Brain Robbed a Logging Camp and BANGOR, Feb. 16 .- The bears up north, along the head waters of the Penobscot, are having a fine time this mild winter, according to all reports. The snow held off so long and fell so lightly when it did come that bruin put off his annual snooze and paw sucking this season, and went nosing round the country inspecting lumbering operations and Canadian railway construction instead. A bear loves molasses better than a small boy loves the circus. lasses better than a small boy loves the circus, and that is why the furry rangers are always to be found hanging around lumber camps, where, next to beaus, molasses is the most important item in the dinner bill.

A legging crew up on the West Branch attribute the loss of part of their provisions and a bad scare to some of their number to bruin's fondness for sweets. A logging camp's provisions and general supplies are kept in a "dincy," or hut, separate from the main building, and an intelligent bear can sometimes burgharize the dingy with neatness and despatch. One night last week a big and hungry black bear got into the dingy of the West Branch camp alinded to, and succeeded in breaking onen a keg of melasses, which he capsized it, besmearing himself from the toe. In thrashing around after more sweets the bear pulled down from a shelf a sack of flour, which burst and gave him a regular St Louis shower bath. The flour, adhering to brain's molasses-hedaubed front, gave him an appearance at one ghastly and ludlerous, and in this guise he salled forth into the logging road, a sticky and disquisted bear.

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when he met a party of loggers returning from a visit to another camp. On perceiving his bearship the woodsmen set up an unearthly howl and made back tracks at a speed never approached by Littlewood, flinging away their weapons as they went. When they came cau-tiously back at dawn the frightened loggers were laughed at, and they will be guyed about their ghost until some of them bring in a bear with a white plush front.

The Way a Grizzly Figured.

"Folks is allus talkin' about the intelligence of hosses, dogs, and cats." said the old man in testy tones, "but I go fur to declar' that grizzly b'ars know more'n any other animal you can name." How do you arrive at that conclusion?"

was asked.
"By experience and observation of course.

I've put in twenty years whar Ephriam is most numerous, and I've seen all sides of him." "Have you any particular instance to cite in proof of his intelligence ?"

"A dozen of 'em, but I was just a-thinkin' of "A dozen of 'em, but I was just a thinkin' of an adventure I had on Red Top Mountain, Colorado, about five years ago. I had a lone camp and was hunting fur pelts. I had my shanty built on the edge of a ravine, so that if attacked I could lower myself by the back way on a big grapevine and be off. Thar was a heap of Injuns and bad white men around, and a lone man couldn't be too cautions. On the second night of my stay Ephriam came prospecting. I found his tracks in the morning. I found what he sat down to think and plan, He figgered out the lay of things and said to himself: "That feller is sharp, and I can't get at him while he is in his house. I'll hev to lay fur him at the spring."

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When I turned out in the morning I get on to the leg track right off, and when I went for water I took my gan. Old Ephriam saw that I had it, and he shambled off figgering:

"He's get again, and it's a Winchester, and he'll fill me with lead before I kin git to him. I'll lay fur him as he goes over the hill.

"I suspected what he was staking on, and I went the other way, made a circuit and got above him, and he looked up in disgust and walked off. I could imagine how he figgered as he went. He said:

"Here's the meanest cus I've tackled in ten years. He hasn't got the loast accommodation about him, and he wants all the advantage, I'll iny fur him behind some of the big lumps of tock."

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conly numerous but famous. The canning big fox came to be known as "Old John," and scarcely a day has passed during the hunting season for years that he has not led the riders and dogs long and hard chases, only to give them the slip at the end.

On Tuesday Frank McCormick and John Milber, two noted fox hunters from the hills of Upper Uwchlan, met with their pack of forty well-trained hounds to give Old John another run. They raised him on Forge Hill at 6 o'clock in the morning. He led them up hill and down date toward Waynesburg over a rough country, trailing them to they very eight and down date toward Waynesburg, over a rough country, trailing them to the very eight and down date toward Waynesburg over a rough country, trailing them to the very eight and the word that and earth folled over him, is the crow files, making the circuit of the list and ehecked up, and I'm dead waynesburg's outskirts. Cid John bore away.

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"This ere feller is the meanest galoot I ever cam across. He won't neither fight squar' nor take hair the chances and I'il be hanged if I den't hope that he light done up by some miserable specialen of the cinnamon tribe!

Yes, sir, that har figured exactly all the way through as I hey told you, and when I can to think it all over I was so assumed that I enable these another Ephrian in the face for six months.

Sung Wintering Place for a Snake,

NEW BLOOMFIELD, Pa., Feb. 16 .- A daughter of Editor Mortimer of the New Bloomfield Times brought up out of the cellar a large head of cabbage to prepare for the family's Sunday dinner. She can't oven and is module; beginn to serond oudly. A member of the lamily ran in and found a make, wearly two test long, sculpming about on the table. It had been yelping in load charus at ney-signominously to earth. Signominously to earth, and the hunters the wily log down got lusty cheers inaking its quarters all winter.

GOSSIP OF THE BALL FIELD.

NO DRINKING AMONG THE LOUISVILLE

PLAYERS NEXT SEASON.

Two of the Baltimore Players Still Hold. ing Ont-The Team Looks Stronger Than It Was Last Year-News About the Cleveland Club-Other News,

There have been many stories in circulation during the past week regarding the Polo grounds, but amid them all comes the faint hope that the New York Club will play there for one year more. One or two city officials, whom THE SUN reporter has seen during the past week, are among these that say "we have no doubt that the New Yorks will play at the Polo grounds for another year, but no longer." This brief respite, could it be had, would be long enough for the New York Club to secure new grounds and fit them up. There is no doubt that the club will in time have as line a ball ground as there is in the country when they do get a new place. One season would be sufficient to build it. President Pay has often said that were he sure of staying on the Polo grounds, he would make it the finest ground in the country, but as he was all the time having more or less trouble, which made it oubtful whether he would be able to hold it from year to year, it would only be throwing money away to put up new buildings. Director Gordon of the New York Club said the other day that the club was ready and willing to lay out almost any amount of money in order to build grounds that would be worthy of so great a city as this.

President Wallace of the Ridgewood grounds caused a sensation by his story of the trouble with the Brooklyn Club, and the raw bids fair to prevent the Brooklyns from penying Sunday games unless they go to Long Island City, which they are likely to do if necessary.

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Washington, Feb. 16.—Sam Wise of last year's Boston toam is to play short step for the world's championship during the coming season in place of Johnny Ward. This statement was made by Mr. John B. Day, the controlling spirit of the New York Club, prior to his departure from this city for the sunry South last Monday morning. There are certain preliminaries yet to be arranged hefore the deal is completed, but Mr. Day anticipates no trouble on that score. Mr. Day is too shrewed as a business man not to take the precaution to provide for centingeneites that may arrise to render Wise's engagement unnecessary. One of these contingeneites is the failure on the part of Mr. Hewitt and Ward to teach satisfactory arrangements on the salary question. In such an event Ward will remain with the New York team and Wise will not be needed. The New Yorkers are lead to part with Ward, for there are but few men in the League who can fill his place in the estimation of the people of the great city. It was with great re-inctance that Mr. Day consented to the transfer of Ward to Washington; but he realized that the Sonators needed strengthening, and therefore he yielded to the appeal of Mr. Hewitt. New York and Chicago are the only two clubs in the League that nave shown a disposition to help their worker there are been any two clubs in the League that nave shown a disposition to help their work in the New York Club. The discipline of the club will be maintained at any east, and if Wise, after fair trial, fails to do his duty, he will have to abide the consequences, and go upon the shelf. It is supposed that a change of circumstances and associations will awaken in him the skill that once made him famous.

According to Mr. Day, the New Yorks will not need the services of Crane in the spring series with the Brooklyn Club, as he expects lines Ewing and Tim Koele to officiate in all the games. There are sever

League batsmen.

Wright of the Syracuse Club appears to the President of the League to determine whether he can be reserved by that club, in view of the fact that he entered into contract with them before that organization came in under the qualified articles of agreement. Mr. Young decides that he is properly reserved.

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Columbus, Feb. 16.—The Columbus team is virtually completed. The last man was signed to-day—likeh, a catcher. He is one of the four players released by Cincinnati to Columbus, and it was originally intended that he should be released rather than signed, but recently such unfavorable reports have come from Kansas City concerning O'Connor's habits that the directory concluded to strengthen the receiving end of the batteries, and thereupon signed bligh. The outlook is only fair for the Columbus Club quitting the season much better than seventh. This view is taken by conservative ball patrons, if there are any such. If the batteries were stronger there would be no question as to Columbus Selbing in pools as high as fifth, but since the flurry of engaging players is over, and a complete team has been secured, the tendency to go over the ground carefully and pick out the weak places occurs.

This has been done and each review brings into prominence the weakness of the batteries. The battery strength of the team is first-class, comparatively speaking. So is their base running ability. The fleding is perfectly correct in so far as the fledors are concerned, and then one has to stop in the search for fine points. However, the batteries may not be so weak as predicted. As a whole the directors are to be congratulated upon their good fortune in gathering so good a team. There are not many base ball enthusiasts in the country who would have believed such an event pessible, that is with the average city.

The citizens of Columbus are highly pleased with the spirit shown by the directors, and to all outward appearances there will be admirable support extended in the way of patronage. The general feeling is to expect the club to do too much; that is, more than they are really capable of doing under the circumstances, and many think Columbus ought to take as high as lifth place. These enthusiasists will

new manager, compared with the old scasoned teams and managers, Columbus, it may be said, is an uncertain quantity.

St. Louis, Feb. 16.—The base ball situation in St. Louis has developed no changes of importance during the nast week. No more contracts have been signed by the players of last year's Brown Steeking team, and of the members of that famous aggregation only Commisker, Milligan, and Latham have placed their autographs to the binding deciment. "The Dude," as the sprightly third baseman and peerless caacher is familiarly known, raised a little sensational interest last week by some immy talk to a Boston reporter about scretess toward. You der Ale, the tresonme teding he was exteriencing with life and labor in St. Louis, the glorious climate of the Pacific slore, which he hoped to enjoy himself during 1889. But Arlie was only up to one of his periodical by-plays of making Chris worry a litte, and use some shattered English in explaining matters to the home people, and logging. "the boss Presidents'" memory on that little £100 of world's championship, divy, which it was barely nossible he would over look until after reporting time, which is set for March I.

It had the desired effect. Chris remembered the little '10 U.' and was quick to amounce through the papers that it would be forthcoming in time for Arlis to catch an early Westbound train from Boston about the last day of Fobruary. King, Boyle, McCarthy, Hudson, Robinsen, Chamberlain, and O'Neill of the old bennant winners are still masigued. Very little uneasiness is felt, however, and all are expected to be gathered in when the time for pietics arrives. Thus far four players of the voing bood 'class have been secured, namely, Freeman, a promising young pitcher; Faller, short stop from Washington; Cudworth, centre fielder, from Lowell, and Duffy, an outfielder with a good record from the Southern. It is known that Duffy's home position is left held. His lain signed to cash the great leader and batas, an itserior in sectionals with O'cen in sectimate

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Joe Herr is said to be the man Yon der Abe had in mind when he announced that "A certain player would play the coming season for \$1.000 or not at all." Joe was a little sore after the close of last season, and is said to have been a trifle indiscreet in his criticisms of yon der Ahe, and the latter is now inclined to discipline him for the opinions he expressed. If good luck attends the efforts to sign the regulars and good weather prevails some rare sport on the diamond is anticipated here before the oriening of the championship season. Arrangements for exhibition games with several strong clubs have been perfected, among them the Teronto of the Interportional League and the Indianapolis League toam. These series are brooked for early April.

The existence of one of the best minor leagues of the West is seriously menaced, that to which the Illinois State clubs belong. A bill was to-day introduced in the Illinois Leafshature to prohibit Sunday ball playing. If it becomes a law it will almost certainly kill this minor league, assuming rames are the principal support of the league. If all the oid Browns are secured for next season with the strong young players thus far signed the high-grade cranks of St. Louis expect to see the Association, champlenship pennant intact at Sportman's Park during 1800. Brooklyn and the Athelies are conseived to be great clubs, but St. Louis people have come to lock upon Comiskey's great team work development and good strategy as equal to the task of coming out at the liend of the procession. There's a great season ahead.

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Pavidson has about filled all the dates for his spring exhibition games. The Indianapolis Club will be here for five games about April 3, 4, 5, 6, 15, 16. Springfield of the Tri-State League will be here April 1 and 2. The other dates filled already are April 6, 7, Milwaukee; 8, 9, Toronto; 10, 11, Pittsburgh; 12, 13, Cleveland, Mr. Davidson will not get Staley of Pittsburgh. He got a letter this week informing him that the Pittsburghs would try the little pitcher again, Monk, Clive, and Esterday of the Kansas City Club want to get on with the Louisvilles. Citye is in the city, and a great many would like to see both players here.

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Cleveland, Fab. 16.—There are now but two of the Cloveland team of 1889 to be settled with, and both are kicking on their classes. The men are Gruber and Suteliffe, both expectivers. They are classed as C men, and consider that a wrong has been done them. During the past week Snyder has accepted terms. Flanagan is as good as settled with, and Boatin has signed a centract. The latter writes most hopefully, and declares that in the Cleveland team he will have that chance which he never got in Detroit, He says: "I'll do good work next season. You can bet on it," During the week fielder Sheffler has been released, and tilks will be cast loose before many days. The men of the team have been notified to gather at Maivern. Ark., the junction for Hot Springs, on March 22, and will be the and work there until March 29, when they start for Kansas City. Managar Lodius will be here on March 1, and leave in time to meet the men. Faatz will be the absolute captain of the team next season. Last season he was handicapped by quarrels in the team and vacillating management. In future there will be mene of this.

Stemmeyer, the old pitcher, has built up quite a good business with his saloon on the west side of Cloveland, and is making money. It has become the resort of the local ball players, and all the visitors drift over the river to see the big fellow as soon as they come to town. Cob Stricker is back, and with liakely, Sprague, and doe Ardner, is playing ball daily in doors and out. It is likely that several of the men will go with Sprague to Hot Springs about March 1 so as to get some extra tractice.

Bon Young, the extra price is teaching school at Nottingham, a village 12 miles from here, and has organized two teams from among his scholars. On one of the teams there are eight girls verging on the edge of womanhood. Not one of the eight has the stilted way usually used by girls in throwi

BASE BALL NOTES,

T. J. H.—On the day you mention Sanders pitched for the Philadelphia Club, and eleven innings were played.

Walter L. Price, who has the reputation of being one of the best first basemen in Newark, will cover that position of the diamond for the Miller Athletics of Newark next season.

Days Health the cover second baseman of

JUAN CORTINA THE BANDIT.

A BORN GUERRILLA WHO DEFIED TWO GOVERNMENTS.

His Career of Blood and Pillage on the Frontier-Now Released from Prison in Mexico, a Broken-down Old Man.

From the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

BROWNSTILLE. TEXAS. Feb. 6.—A recent despatch from the city of Mexico announced the release from prison of Gen. Cortina. This action of the Mexicon Government restores to the despatch of the most noted otheracters of the one of the most noted characters of the one of the most noted otheracters of the one of the most noted otheracters of the one of the calls a story of guerrilla warfare equal in interest to that of any irontier on earth.

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beds, bales of goods, etc., and a cry reached the capitals of Texas and of the United States for the extermination of Cortina.

The frontier was howing like a pack of wolves, and on the 22d of November a third expedition, intending to be the exterminating one, emerged from Brownsville with a band and a banner. It consisted of 250 rangers under command of Capit, Tobin, the citizens of Brownsville, commanded by Capt, Mifflin Kendedy, then a steamboat capitain, now the cuttle king of Texas, and at all times a splendid follow, and the Indianola company with a 24-pounder howitzer in charge of Lieut, Langdon of the United States Artillery, At Santa Rita, seven miles above Brownsville, Capt, Tobin left the howitzer and sixty men in reserve, and proceeded with the remainder of the force to reconnoitre. The advance, when nearing Cortina's intronchments, were fired upon with cannon and small arms, and after returning fire, were ordered to fall back. Cortina was now a great man, the Mexican flag was waving over his tent, and he was rapidly receiving re-enforcements.

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Aftairs remained in this state until the arrival on the 15th of December of Major S. P. Haintzelman of the First Infantry, with five offleers and 117 men. artillery, eavairy, and infantry. These with 150 rangers drove Cortina from his stromphold, killing two of his men. A ranger was killed and two artillerymen were wounded. Cortina retreated to Ringgold barracks where he intrenched himself with his full force. About this time Major John S. Ford, who afterward fought the last fight of the robellion, arrived from the interior with forty-five rangers. He, with a reenforcement of forty men, defeated Cortina. Cortina had 600 men engaged, of whom Ford killed sixty and wounded fifty without losing a man, but with fifteen rangers wounded. Cortina next day made his appearance at Guerera. Mexico, whence he proceeded down the 110 Grande, reorganizing his strangfers, and finally halting at La Bolsa, thirty-five miles above Brownsville, where he was supplied with volunteers, arms, and ammunition from Matamoros. Major Ford encamped on the bank of the river, where he abided his time in patience until Feb. 4 when Cortina, with 250 men, opened on the steamboat Ranchero, which was descending the river, laden with a valuable cargo, including \$150,000 in specie. He had already succeeded in grounding the boat, which was protected only by ten armed men, when Ford crossed the river into Mexico with forty-nine men, attacked Cortina, and, after a sharp battle, forced him to retreat in disorder. In this fight Ford only had two men wounded, while Cortina's less was twenty-nine men killed and forty wounded. Major Ford pursued Cortina almost to the gates of Matamoros, where he was influenced to halt under guarantees of home and sherman.

Cortina continuing to be demonstrative, though not aggressive, Brevet Col. Robert E. Lee, commanding the Departme

people the aiternatives of quashing the indictments against him, in which event he proposed to recover his patrimony, or of encountering irrescular warfare. Citizens of Brownsville who believed that their interests would be best subserved by a lasting peace with Cortina potitioned Gov. E. J. Davis for elemency, but others, whose interests and feelings were different, got up a counter petition, and the Governor declined to act. Cortina then resolved to proy without ceasing. He had under his command what he called "the Eagles of the Sierra Madre Mountains," and lawless men sought to gain through him the advantages of political power and of unrestrained license to plunder Texas. Then was inaugurated an organized system of raiding the Texas border by lawless bands and detachments of Mexican soldiers that was only comparable to the forays of the Bashi-Bazouks. Those armed bands would leave Mexico generally in pairs, come together at a point agreed upon, then round up from 200 to 1,000 head of cattle and drive them at a run into Mexico. The spirit engenered by such a husiness led to the murder of travellers and of all persons in the line of the raiders' march of whose support those raiders were not certain.

During this saturnalia of crime, which lasted five years, the residents of Horneville, chiefly retired volunteer army officers and soldiers, were all murdered; four Custom House officers were treacherously shot down at their posts, and a schoolmaster named Alcalahon, a native of Misseuri, was dismembered and left to die on the prairie. In fine, only such Americans exaped the torch and sword as abandoned their homes to seek protection under the guns of Fort Brown. It was estimated that 240,000

on the prairie. In fine, only such Americans escaped the torch and sword as abandoned their homes to seek protection under the guns of Fort Brown. It was estimated that 240,000 head of cuttle and 5,000 horses were stolen, as the effect of which the price of beef fell in Maramoros from 5c. to 1c, a pound, and American horses were gambled off at fandangos.

The United States cavalry detailed to operate against the raiders carried sounding swords that gave warning of their approach and enabled the bandlis to disperse. To reenforce the cavalry the Government sent down three men-of-war and a river boat. The former anchored five miles from shere, and the latter was permanently grounded in the river. The State Rangers did better. Capt. McNally, with a force of seventeen men, overtook a like force of tertina's men in the act of driving of 240 head of cattle. A battle ensued, in which McNally's force killed sixteen raiders and only

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About this time Cortina, having overstocked his ranch and glutied the Matamoros market with stolen cattle, chartered a spanish steamer of 2,509 tens burden to carry hides anticattle to Havana. Apprised of this bold act, the manof-war Hartford was sent in pursuit of the Spanish sho, but only came in sight of the latter as she was entering the harbor of Havana. In this state of affairs President Grant was in favor of making war doring the vecept secretary Belkanp, was abandoned. It is a matter of history, which can be proven by the intimate riceds of President Grant, that he had regarded tennorizing as a dangerous method of dealing with an evil which had existed for five years on the Mexican frontier, but which would not exist a week on the Canadian frontier, and that he regarded the then Mexican Government as to feelble to successfully cope with it. In fact, Senor Lafragua, the Mexican Minister of Foreign Affairs. In an interview with Mr. Foster, the American Minister, had given as a reason why his Government would not send troops to the border that the troops would desert, that the internal condition of the country rendered it impossible, and that the state of the Treasury would not permit the expense.

Under the threat of war, however, President Toyada in 1875 ordered Cortina to report to him at the city of Mexico, whereupon the frontier chief threw up his commission and delied the President. There was then stationed at Matamoros a regular army officer and restanded of Matamoros a regular army officer and called the military school at Chapultepe named Jesus Christo. To him President the made prisoner by Christo with two companies of cavairy. Brought back to Matamoros a prisoner, Cortina's following raduate of the military school at Chapultepe named Jesus Christoner by Christo with two companies of cavairy. Brought back to Matamoros a prisoner, Cortina's follow

police, and when the Rio Grande rose beyond the possibility of wading it into Texas, he issued forth with his cavairy, and it is said, hanged 160 raidors.

Cortina, at the outbreak of the Diaz revolution, escaped from the capital and issued a pronunciamento against Lerdo de Tejada and in layor of Diaz, to whom he rendered material service. It was feared then that he would resume operations against Texas, but at the termination of the Diaz revolution Gen. Servando Canales, a warm and tried friend of Americans, obtained command of Tamaulicas. He at once arrested Cortina, threw him in prison, and would have shot him but for the interference of President Diaz.

Cortina is now a broken-down old man, under surveillance in the city of Mexico, where he lives on a mere competency, his stock and ranches having been confiscated and sold to help indemnify the sufferers from his raids, of his former self there is little left but a proud mendicant, boasting and begging. Without the irritation to which his youth was subject, ho might have been a good man; with the advantages of education, and with good moral surroundings, he would probably have been a great man. Nature laid in him the materials for a here, but they were warped and poisoned by his surroundings.

Humanity's Averages. From the Medical Record.

weight of male adults 130 pounds; of women, about 110 pounds. The average height of American recruits is about 5 feet 9 inches. The average height of wellbuilt men is 5 feet 9 inches; of women, 5 feet 4

or 1 or 12 pends. A hand cles when he has lost a fifth of his blood. The heart with each contraction ejects 6 onnees of blood from each ventricle, at a pressure in the left ventricle of one-lourth of an atmosphere. The heart sends all the blood round the body twice every minute, or in about thirty-five contractions. A deadly poison injected into a veln kills in fifteen seconds on the average; injected under the skin, in four minutes. A cubic millimetrs of blood contains 5,000,000 blood cells in men. 4,500,000 in women. There are 300 red cells in every on white blood cell. The red cells have an average diameter of 1-3200 inch, the white cells of 1-25000 inch. The specific gravity of the blood is 1,055. The frequency of the pulse in the new born is 150; in infants of one year, 110; at two years, 95; in the adult man, 72; woman, 80. The espirations are one-fourth as rapid as the pulse

Willing to Oblige the Jury.

From the Philadelphia Press.

INTERESTING TURF EVENTS.

THE LATEST PROJECT FOR A TRACE

NEAR THE METROPOLIS.

Caldwell and Simmons to Start and Judge— The Western War and Proctor Knott— Rockaway Steeplechase Meeting.

"The new race course mentioned in THE

Sun last week will be built as sure as you are

porn." remarked a gray-haired member of the

American Jockey Club in the Hoffman House

on Wednesday afternoon.

Seven horse owners and others interested in

racing, including well-known bookmakers,

stand ready to invest from \$5,000 to \$10,000

each in the new enterprise, and as many more

are waiting to step in as soon as the associa-tion is regularly organized. The men who

visited the proposed location on the line of the Pennsylvania Railroad, within fifteen minutes

ide of Jersey City, last week, for the purpose

of surveying the ground, came to the conclu-

sion that the ground was not suitable for a

first-class track with modern equipments, so

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they are looking elsewhere for land within fifteen miles or so of New York. Several tracts of land have been offered them, which the owners claim will be just the place for a race course. One of these places was inspected last Tuesday, but no report has yet been made of the result. The promoters of the enterprise say that they can burchase grounds for a mile track, with plenty of room for buildings, and have the course fully equipped for a meeting next fall, at a cost of about \$100,000, which they assert is many thousands of dollars less than the Dwyers will call for at their proposed track at Elizabeth. The mainstring appears to be apposition to the Dwyer Brothers. It is proposed to Evold spring and fall meetings of only seven days each, as the great clubs prespored on this plan, if they years age. Liberal stakes and purses with be given. Col. Simmons will be requested to act as judge, and Mr. Caldwell will be requested to act as judge, and Mr.

Talk about Proctor Knott and the Louisville-

Nashville war supplies Western turfmen with winter horse talk. The fact that Col. Clark, President of the Louisville Ciub, has sent a commissioner to Nashville for the purpose of adjusting the conflict of dates shows that Kentucky fears rivalry from Tennessee. The probability is that Nashville will not continue

the meeting seven extra days, as proposed,

The Rockaway Steeplechase Association again offer liberal stakes to be run for at a cross-country meeting at Codarhurst on June 28 and July 1 and 3. The club deserves credit for their enterprise in furnishing sport to

lovers of steeplechasing after repeated losses in past seasons. The stakes now announced are: The Cedarhurst Grand National, an open handicap steeplechase for a purse of \$2,500, second to receive \$500, and third \$200 out of the purse; about four miles; to be run on July 3, 1889. Queens County Hurdle Race, an open handicap for a purse of \$2,000, second to receive \$300, and the third \$150 out of the purse; about two miles and a half, over hurdles; to be run on July 1. Rockaway Maiden Steeplechase, an open steeplechase for horses which have not won a steeplechase, for a purse of \$1,000, second to receive \$200, and third \$100 out of the purse; about two miles and a half; to be run on June 28.

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will pick many rich plums out of the races this year. William Walker, the well-known jockey, who is an excellent judge of racers, informed a

others have run so many sensational race Private betting on the spring handicaps has

lovers of steeplechasing after repeated losses

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the meeting seven extra days, as proposed, Regarding Proctor Knott, a letter from Louisville says that it is probable that the famous gelding will change hands before the spring is far advanced. Sam Bryant has received an offer of \$25,000 for his horse within ten days, but as the man who desired to negotiate the sale wanted a commission of \$5,000, Bryant objected. It is said that the would-be buyer represented the Dwyers, although secreey is observed on this point. The brothers are in need of a first-cines three-year old, and as Philie has expressed a determination not to follow up the old and eastly plan of investing largely in high-priced yearings, but to purchase trained and tried race horses, there a may be something in the latest rumors about the big three-year-old. Other rumors are to the effect that the horse has not strengthened this winter, and it is predicted that he will not run a good race next season.

who is an excellent judge of racers, informed a reporter of the Louisville Commercial that he believes the Captain will have one of the strongest stables in the country this year, so far as three-year-olds are concerned, he having at least three high-class cells in Reporter, Buddhist, and The Don. The latter is the only one of the trio that is not well known to turf followers, and Walker is authority for the statement that he is the best of the bunch. He went wrong in the early part of last year and never rounded to until late in the fail. At that time Reporter was at his best, so the stable concluded to let him carry the colors and save. The Don for his engagements this year. Being a Lisbon, the get of whom always improve with age, this slashing youngstor this year will nodoubt pay his owner and trainer for the disappointments of last summer. Both Buddhist and Reporter showed superb form last season, and with other three-year-olds, like Senerita and J. A. B., it looks as though 1889 will be the most prosperous year in the history of this great stable, in the colors of which such cracks as Troubadour. Blue Wing, Stuytessant, and others have run so many sensational races.

begun before the declarations are due. The Turf, Field and Farm says that Bookmaker Dave Johnson, who has a very excited opinion of the prowess of The Bard, found W. C. Lyon of Chicago equally as enthusiastic about the capabilities of Terra Cotta. An argument concerning their respective merits finally caimfinated in an oven bet of \$500 cash that The Bard would beat Terra Cotta for the Suburban, both to start or the bet to be off. Another bet was made between two young turfmen from Maryland and Kentucky, the one from the latter State taking the fifteen top weights against the remainder of the field for a moderate wager, and subsequently choosing Mr. Belment's entries (Baccland, Prince Royal, and George Oyster) against any named ten which the Marylander might select, which proved to be Belvidere, Judge Murray, Gorge, Marander, Montague, Fitz James Charley Dreux, Volunteer, Torchlight, and San Simeon. built men is 5 feet 9 inches; of women, 5 feet 4 inches. One inch of height should add two pounds to weight. The specific gravity of the body ranges from 0.950 to 1.030. The heart weights 200 grammes in women and 330 grammes (10% counces) in men; the average weight is 292 grammes. The period of its maximum weight is between 50 and 80.

The amount of blood in the body is one-thirteenth the weight of the body, or 5 or 6 quarts, or 11 or 12 pounds. A man dies when he has lost a fifth of his blood. The heart with each contraction ejects 6 ounces of blood from each ventricle, at a pressure in the left ventricle of G. W. Scoggin, who was in partnership with Sam Bryant last year, has a very promising lot of youngsters in training in Kentucky. There are twelve in the string, and they are engaged in the rich stakes for two-year-olds in

An amusing line was spoken in Judge Garrison's court, in Camden, the other day.

A gawky Jerseyman was on the witness stand, and instead of speaking so that the jury could hear him, he persisted in mumbling his answers to his counsel. Finally the Judge said. Will you kindly speak so that these gentlemen can hear you?" pointing to the jury.

The up-countryman turned around and found the twelve men all in an attitude of strained attention. His face thereupon lighted up with a half-grateful and half-flattered expression, and he roulied! "Why certainly. Are they interested in my case?"

And from this point on he made a better witness, feeling, as he did, that he had an audience that wanted to listen to him.

Harrison's Face Not Made for Bank Notes. From the Philadelphia Berord

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this vicinity. A correspondent of the St. Louis Republic describes some of them in this fashion: "Among the two-year-olds are Ban Chief, a slashing big colt by King Ban, out of Wigwam; Good-by, by Hyder Ali, out of Jennie Rowett: Jasper, a large chestnut colt by Miser, out of Meta H., the dam of Kimball: Ja Ja, a full brother to Drumstick, by Leonatus, out of Apple Blossom; Hy-Dy, by Hyder Ali, out of Addie Warren, the dam of Lady of the Lake; Switter, by Hyder Ali, out of Leona, and G. W, by Little Ruffin, out of Florence D."

A copy of the latest photograph of President-elect Harrison has been received at the Mint, and will be used in making a die or plate for printing at some future time upon currency or bank notes. Designer Charles E. Barker of the Mint sent to Gen. Harrison some time ago asking for a picture for this purpose. He soon afterward received one, but objected to it because it was not a profile view. So the General sat again, and a very fine profile portrait was obtained. It is said that the best points of Gen. Harrison's face are entirely lost in a profile portrait.

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